



ST. AGATHA'S CHURCH CRANBOURNE



# St Agatha's Parish Cranbourne

**Pentecost  
Year A  
28<sup>th</sup> May 2023**

## ST. AGATHA'S PARISH INFORMATION

**Church:** 129 Sladen Street, Cranbourne

**Presbytery:** 131 Sladen Street, Cranbourne

**Parish Office:** 1 Scott Street, PO Box 95,  
Cranbourne 3977

**Office Hours: Mon 1.00pm - 3.00pm**

**Tue to Fri 8.30am - 3.00pm**

*[Closed for lunch 12.30pm - 1.00pm]*

☎ **5996 1985** Fax: **5996 1992**

**Email:** [parishoffice@stagathas.org.au](mailto:parishoffice@stagathas.org.au)

**Website:** [www.stagathas.org.au](http://www.stagathas.org.au)

**For Parish News & Events:**

<https://stagathas.org.au/news-and-events.html>

**Parish Administrator:** Rev. Fr Peter Kooloos

**Residing Priest:** Rev. Fr Paul Zaher

**Sisters of the Nativity:** Sr. Mary Olofu,

Sr. Faustina Ede & Sr. Victoria Orinya

Sr. Julie Ogbole [St Thomas the Apostle Parish]

**Parish Safeguarding Officers:**

Leonard Foo & Loretta Chin ☎ **5996 1985**

**Email:** [cranbourne.safety@cdsale.org.au](mailto:cranbourne.safety@cdsale.org.au)

**Parish Secretary:** Mrs Tina Dam

**Assistant Secretary:** Mrs Nona Tusitala

☎ **5996 1985**

**St Agatha's Primary School**

3 Scott Street, Cranbourne

☎ **5996 2724**

**Principal:** Mrs Michelle Bruitzman

**St Therese's Primary School**

131 Endeavour Drive

Cranbourne North

☎ **5996 7525**

**Principal:** Mrs Felicity Broughton

**St Peter's Secondary College**

Cranbourne Campus - Navarre Drive Cranbourne West

Clyde North Campus - 55 MacKillop Way Clyde Nth

☎ **5990 7777**

**Principal:** Mr Chris Black

## ST. AGATHA'S PARISH MASS TIMES

**Saturday:** 6.00pm

**Sunday:** 7.30am, 9.00am, 10.45am & 6.00pm

**Livestreamed Sunday 9.00am**

**Monday to Saturday: 9.30am**

*Please search YouTube: St Agatha's Parish, Cranbourne*

### Weekday Mass Times - In the Church & Live Streamed

**Monday:** 9:30am - In the Church & Live Streamed

**Tuesday:** 9:30am - In the Church & Live Streamed

**Wednesday:** 9:30am - In the Church & Live Streamed

**Thursday:** 9:30am & 7.00pm Healing Mass with Fr Rojan

**Friday:** 9:30am & 7.00pm - In the Church

**Saturday:** 9:30am - In the Church & Live Streamed

### Reconciliation/Confession

Friday: 10:00am

Saturday: 10:00am

### Mass for Vocations

Saturdays 9.30am- Live Streamed

### Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Friday: 10.00am - 11.00am - Live Streamed

Saturday: 10.00am - 11.00am - Live Streamed

Tuesday to Saturday: 8.00am - 9.00am followed by

**Divine Office:** Morning prayer 9.00am - 9.15am

**Adoration Chapel:** 24/7 Entry to the chapel is via a PIN code, obtained through the Parish Office.

**Healing Mass** First Thursday of the Month 7.15pm begins with Rosary at 6.30pm followed by Adoration & Healing Prayers

### First Saturday Mass at 9.30am

In Reparation to the Immaculate Heart of Mary

**First Friday Mass** 7.00pm followed by a spiritual teaching and Adoration till 10.00pm

**Mass for the Unborn:** 1<sup>st</sup> Friday of the Month 9.30am

**Holy Hour for the Unborn** - 1<sup>st</sup> Friday of the Month

7.30pm-8.30pm

### Baptisms

Sundays at 12.30pm by appointment. Baptism Information Session held on 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of every month, starting at 3.00pm in the Church. [Information Session Bookings may be made through the parish website or by visiting the parish office]

### Marriages

6 months' notice requested.

**BIBLE STUDIES** Matthew: The King and His Kingdom is a Catholic Bible study that brings the history of Christ to life through Matthew's Gospel. You will see Jesus as the awaited Messiah who fulfills the promises and prophecies of the Old Testament, establishes the New Law, and inaugurates the Kingdom of Heaven. Start today 28<sup>th</sup> May 2023 at 4.00pm to 5.30pm. For more information or to register contact the parish office on 5996 1985 or email [parishoffice@stagathas.org.au](mailto:parishoffice@stagathas.org.au)

**WE WELCOME AS CHILDREN OF GOD:** Caleb Paras Child of Christian & Charisse, River O'Doherty Child of Joshua & Kara, Millie Auvale Child of Lara & Ian, Myles Flynn Child of Dean & Nicolette, Benjamin Harbour Child of Joel & Tanya.

**ADORATION CHAPEL:** When visiting the Adoration Chapel, please take your shoes off before entering and leave them in the shoe rack provided. The carpet has just been cleaned, we appreciate your cooperation. Thank you

**ACCOMMODATION NEEDED:** A female parishioner is in need of shared female accommodation. Please contact the parish office on 5996 1985

**STEWARDSHIP ENVELOPES:** *To save on postage costs.* Please collect your envelopes from the foyer, thank you.

**CONFIRMATION RETREAT:** For children registered for Confirmation, Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> June arriving at 8.00am for 8.30am start till 2.45pm. For more information contact Sr Faustina on 5996 1985.

**LECTOR & EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER ROSTERS** have been emailed this week; copies available in the foyer for you to collect.

**JUNIOR RCIA:** For older children who have not completed their Sacraments. Classes begin Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2023 until Easter 2024. Meet at 4.00pm in the Parish Hall. Online registrations open now at [https://stagathas.org.au/component/com\\_formmaker/Itemid,879/id,24/view\\_formmaker/](https://stagathas.org.au/component/com_formmaker/Itemid,879/id,24/view_formmaker/) For more info contact Sr Victoria on 5996 1985.

**R.C.I.A. INQUIRY NIGHT:** If you've been coming to Mass for a while, but are not Catholic, are you interested in learning more about the Catholic faith? An inquiry night will be held for those who may be considering becoming a Catholic. Are you a baptised Catholic Adult, but have not received the Sacraments of First Communion or Confirmation? Are you Catholic and want to learn more about our faith? "Come and See" on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> June at 7.30pm in the Parish Hall. All welcome! For further information contact the Parish Office on 5996 1985

**RE CLASSES:** Wednesday at 4.00pm in the parish hall for children attending non - Catholic schools.

**PROJECT COMPASSION** would like to THANK YOU for supporting Project Compassion. Boxes and envelopes can be returned or visit [www.caritas.org.au](http://www.caritas.org.au) to make your donation online. Donations \$2 and over are tax deductible.

**PLAYGROUP:** Tuesdays 9am-11am during school terms in St. Agatha's Parish Hall. All Welcome!

**WYD FUNDRAISING DANCE:** Due to popular demand St Agatha's will be hosting a second fundraising dance on the 1<sup>st</sup> July 2023 at 6.30pm St Peter's College Hall. Tickets on Sale from the parish office. Please contact the office for more details. We appreciate and thank you for your continued support.

**WYD 2023 FUNDRAISER:** If you would like to make a donation, please contact the Parish Office or scan the QR code on the notice board outside the Church door.

**LOST & FOUND:** A few items have been left in the School Hall, Parish Hall and Church over Easter. If you have lost an item

*Netflix for Catholics, free for all parishioners!*

*Go to our parish website at*

<https://stagathas.org.au/item/21-formed-gift-subscription.html>

*on how to join and logon with the parish code: 2QKKNB*

*Every week - Formed highlight different content.*

*This week: Pentecost Sunday*

<https://watch.formed.org/videos/pentecost-sunday-june-4-2017>

FORMED

please check the lost and found box in the cupboard in the Church foyer. Items will be donated to SVDP if not collected.

**CHURCH FLOWERS DONATIONS:** If you would like to make a donation towards Church flowers, please place the money in an envelope marked "Flowers" Thank you.

**ST AGATHA'S PRIMARY OPEN DAY TOURS** Enrolments are now open June 7<sup>th</sup> 12pm & 5:30pm. Enrolments close 15<sup>th</sup> October 2023. Please call Natalie on (03) 5996 2724 to book a tour.

**VINCENTIAN RETREAT CENTRE, MELBOURNE LED BY FR. ROJAN GEORGE VC:** Healing Mass every First Thursday of the month, please join us at St Agatha's Parish for 6:30pm Rosary, 7pm Praise & Worship, 7:15pm Holy Mass followed by Adoration with Healing Prayers. For more Information – Ramesh & Bernie 0433 549 167 /0425717556 /0466631130 or email [vincentianretreatmelbourne@gmail.com](mailto:vincentianretreatmelbourne@gmail.com)

**MYSTERY AND MISSION – THE ART OF LITURGICAL CELEBRATION:** Calling all liturgists, musicians, clergy, cantors, choristers, lay liturgical ministers, composers, teachers, conductors, liturgy teams, and campus ministers. The 2023 National Conference will be held in Brisbane on September 28-30. Enquiries: [liturgy@liturgybrisbane.net.au](mailto:liturgy@liturgybrisbane.net.au)

**PALMS AUSTRALIA:** Mission: Transform Lives - theirs...and yours. Communities in Africa, Asia or the Pacific are seeking Australians from a variety of professions and trades to share their skills and knowledge with those who have few other chances for training.

Build enduring global relationships while assisting sustainable, self-reliant, community development.

Explore 35 positions by scanning the QR code below. On our website you can also see news including stories from those currently supported in Timor-Leste, Samoa, American Samoa and Thailand.

Please enquire further about potential assignments for you or someone you know: RING: 02 9560 5333 or 0422 472 567 or [www.palms.org.au](http://www.palms.org.au)

**THE BUSH FIRE OF PENTECOST – REFLECTION BY FR MICHAEL TATE**

As summer progresses in Australia, invariably great bushfires break out. Those who report the infernos speak not only of the flames, but often of a mighty roar like a great windstorm heralding the approaching fire.

The earth had quaked at the death of Jesus, but death had been conquered and the earth was supercharged with divine energy and vitality. Into all this the Risen Lord sent his Holy Spirit like a lightning strike. Divine energy was unleashed and St Luke portrays this particular event in our bushfire terms. The Holy Spirit, he says, was 'like tongues of fire' and 'like the sound of a mighty wind' accompanying the descent of the Holy Spirit on a gathering of a fearful group of followers of Our Lord.

The tangled undergrowth of fear, anxiety and timidity was cleared away. The new life of the church was germinated, took root and has been growing ever since, listening to the core message preached by St Peter: Jesus of Nazareth had conquered death and Peter and others were witnesses to the Risen Lord.

We could pause for a moment to pray for the successor of St Peter that he may preach the resurrection in a way which is understandable by people of every culture, every ethnicity, every language group around the world.

**SAFEGUARDING:** Our Parish is committed to providing a safe and supportive environment for all people with special concern for children, young people and adults at risk. Our Safeguarding Officers are Leonard Foo & Loretta Chin who can be contacted the Parish Office on 03 5996 1985 or email [Cranbourne.safety@cdsale.org.au](mailto:Cranbourne.safety@cdsale.org.au) If a person is in immediate danger of physical or sexual abuse: **Call 000.**

**DOMESTIC VIOLENCE HELP:** 1800RESPECT - 1800 737 732; SAFE STEPS: 1800 015 188; ORANGE DOOR: 1800 271 170 Dandenong or Pakenham.



**The Recently Deceased:** Joe Vassallo, Clare Nowland, Sam Santo

**Those whose anniversary or remembrance occurs at this time:** Peter George, George & Yvonne Lynch, Camille D'Monte, Anthony & Jennifer Dsilva, Gino Raffa, Orazio Molino & Giovanni Gregoria, Lilly Liveirao, Arthur Lopez, Fernandez, Myrtle Barse, S. Maria Savarimuthu, Dora Phillips, Felix Weinman, Charito Munez, Fr Henry Bradbee, Bishop James Corbett, Fr James McGuigan, Fr James O'Neill, Fr Cornelius Cremin, Mgr Edward Hynes

**Those who are sick:** Stanley Jacobs, Catherine Williams, Lorenzo, Ignazia Carcangio, Edgar Lalouette, Nella Raffa, France Bernon, Baby Noah, Rosa Visalli, Annarosa & Ignazia Zucca, Otto Harris, Lyndell Adikari, Cynthia Leonard, Hercules Pillay, Kevin Hart, Max King, Philip Sgroi, Tony & Gerda Small, Catherine & Norman Hall, Margarita Swaminathan, Richard Nathan

*With respect for the privacy of the person who is ill, we can only accept requests from the ill person or their immediate family. Please advise the Parish Secretary if you wish to be taken off the sick list.  
If you would like a Mass Offered for a loved one, special occasion or other intention please contact the Parish Office*

**READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY – The Most Holy Trinity** Ex 34:4-6, 8-9 2 Cor 13:11-13 Jn 3:16-18

| 27 <sup>th</sup> & 28 <sup>th</sup> May 2023 | Lector          |                                    |
|--|-----------------|------------------------------------|
| Sat Vigil 6.00pm                             | Childrens Choir | L Lim, R Sutherland, M Parrocho    |
| 7.30am                                       | R Trevisan      | T Heldt, M Vechooretu              |
| 9.00am                                       | J Kelly         | R Alejandro, Volunteer, K Parrocho |
| 10.45am                                      | M Thomas        | L Gillespie, K Auvale, M D'Costa   |
| 6.00pm                                       | R Gimeno        | E Abraham, J MacDonald, A John     |
| <b>CHURCH COUNTERS</b>                       |                 | A Thomas, A & R Estrada            |

**ST AGATHA'S VOICE FOR LIFE**

**MASS FOR THE UNBORN – 9.30am Mass**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Friday of the Month  
**HOLY HOUR OF ADORATION, 7.30pm**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Friday of the Month – at our Adoration chapel

“Verily I say unto you, in as much as you have done it unto one of the least of these My Brethren, you have done it unto Me.” *Matthew 25:40*

| 3 <sup>rd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> June 2023 | Lector     |                                    |
|---|------------|------------------------------------|
| Sat Vigil 6.00pm                            | M Lim      | A Hughes, C D'Lima, M D'Costa      |
| 7.30am                                      | M Lutu     | C Beloso                           |
| 9.00am                                      | Y Prasetyo | J Raudino, A Dam, J Kelly          |
| 10.45am                                     | J Gunn     | R D'Mello, R Holsinger, C Tyminski |
| 6.00pm                                      | A Ulu      | I Lemalu, J D'Souza, C Joseph      |
| <b>CHURCH COUNTERS</b>                      |            | R/C Beloso, M Rodrigues, I Abraham |

**GROUPS & MEETINGS**

- RCIA:** [For Adults interested in becoming Catholic] Enquiries: Tina 5996 1985.
- RCIC:** For children aged 4 years and above preparing for Baptism. Sr Victoria 5996 1985.
- MOTHERS WHO PRAY FOR THEIR CHILDREN:** Mon 7:30pm Parish Hall Contact: Mary Krotwaar 0417 391 298
- CATECHETICS [R.E.] CLASSES:** Each Wed at 4pm in the Hall during School Terms. Enquiries: Sr. Victoria 5996 1985
- THE BRIGADIERS OF LOURDES:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of the Month 2.30pm – 4pm. Enq: Lorraine Dunkley 5996 8771
- DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET:** Weekdays after morning Mass & Rosary in the Church.
- SAMOAN DIVINE MERCY PRAYER GROUP:** Tuesday 6.30pm to 8.30pm in the Church. Enq: Epati 0432 410 480
- CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP:** Mon 10.30am Parish Hall Ph: Jacinta 0426 973 026
- PARISH CELLS COMMUNITY:** For further information contact Parish Office.
- SPIRITUAL DIRECTION:** Providence House, 135 Sladen Street. 1 hour by appointment only. Enq: Ruth 0477 800 161 or Divine 0427 706 498
- YOUTH GROUPS INVIGORATE [Age 12-14]** Meet 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month 12noon to 3.00pm after 10.45am
- AGAPE [Age 18+]:** Meet 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month 12noon to 3.00pm after 10.45am Youth Mass. Enq: Sr Mary 5996 1985
- VOICE FOR LIFE GROUP:** Enquiries: Maria Nieuwesteeg 0409 563 864 or email [voiceforlife@hotmail.com](mailto:voiceforlife@hotmail.com)
- SANTO NINO:** Mass last Friday of the Month: 7.00pm. Enq: Tulip Ramirez 0431 211 115
- ST. VINCENT DE PAUL:** Vinnies Shop - 218 High Street Cranbourne. Phone: 5996 3926, **Vinnies Help Line: 1300 305 330**
- ST. VINCENT DE PAUL MEETING:** 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the Month in the Hall; Rosary 7.00pm; Meeting 7.15pm.
- CATHOLIC CARE GIPPSLAND:** For Family & Relationship Counselling phone 5941 4100 for appointments.
- GODSTART:** Post-Baptism follow-up Program. For further information contact Sr Mary 5996 1985
- PLAYGROUP:** Tuesdays 9am-11am during school terms in St. Agatha's Hall. Contact Sr Mary 5996 1985

We acknowledge the Bunurong and Wurundjeri peoples and recognise the gift of their culture to the life and spirit of Australia.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL Parish Pastoral Council members are a means of communication for perceived needs in the Parish, ideas, suggestions & feedback.

LIVE STREAMING MASSES: Sunday 9.00am Mass, Masses 9.30am weekday are Live Streamed, for those parishioners who are home bound and unable to attend Mass. <https://www.youtube.com/StAgathasParishCranbourne>

**PENTECOST SUNDAY, 28<sup>th</sup> MAY 2023**

**FIRST READING**

*Acts 2:1-11*

When Pentecost day came round, the Apostles had all met in one room, when suddenly they heard what sounded like a powerful wind from heaven, the noise of which filled the entire house in which they were sitting; and something appeared to them that seemed like tongues of fire; these separated and came to rest on the head of each of them. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak foreign languages as the Spirit gave them the gift of speech. Now there were devout men living in Jerusalem from every nation under heaven, and at this sound they all assembled, each one bewildered to hear these men speaking his own language. They were amazed and astonished. 'Surely' they said 'all these men speaking are Galileans? How does it happen that each of us hears them in his own native language? Parthians, Medes and Elamites; people from Mesopotamia, Judaea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya round Cyrene; as well as visitors from Rome – Jews and proselytes alike – Cretans and Arabs; we hear them preaching in our own language about the marvels of God.'

The word of the Lord

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

***R. Lord, send out your Spirit and renew the face of the earth.***

Bless the Lord, my soul! Lord God, how great you are. How many are your works, O Lord! The earth is full of your riches. **R.**

You take back your spirit, they die, returning to the dust from which they came. You send forth your spirit, they are created; and you renew the face of the earth. **R.**

May the glory of the Lord last forever! May the Lord rejoice in his works! May my thoughts be pleasing to him. I find my joy in the Lord. **R.**

**SECOND READING**

*1Corinthians 12:3-7.12-13*

No one can say, 'Jesus is Lord' unless he is under the influence of the Holy Spirit. There is a variety of gifts but always the same Spirit; there are all sorts of service to be done, but always to the same Lord; working in all sorts of

different ways in different people, it is the same God who is working in all of them. The particular way in which the Spirit is given to each person is for a good purpose. Just as a human body, though it is made up of many parts, is a single unit because all these parts, though many, make one body, so it is with Christ. In the one Spirit we were all baptised, Jews as well as Greeks, slaves as well as citizens, and one Spirit was given to us all to drink.

The word of the Lord.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

***Alleluia, alleluia! Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful; and kindle in them the fire of your love. Alleluia!***

**GOSPEL**

*John 20:19-23*

In the evening of the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you', and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father sent me, so am I sending you.' After saying this he breathed on them and said: 'Receive the Holy Spirit. For those whose sins you forgive, they are forgiven; for those whose sins you retain, they are retained.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

**MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION**

When we eat this Bread ... ..



**As the Father sent  
me so I send you: Receive  
the Holy Spirit**